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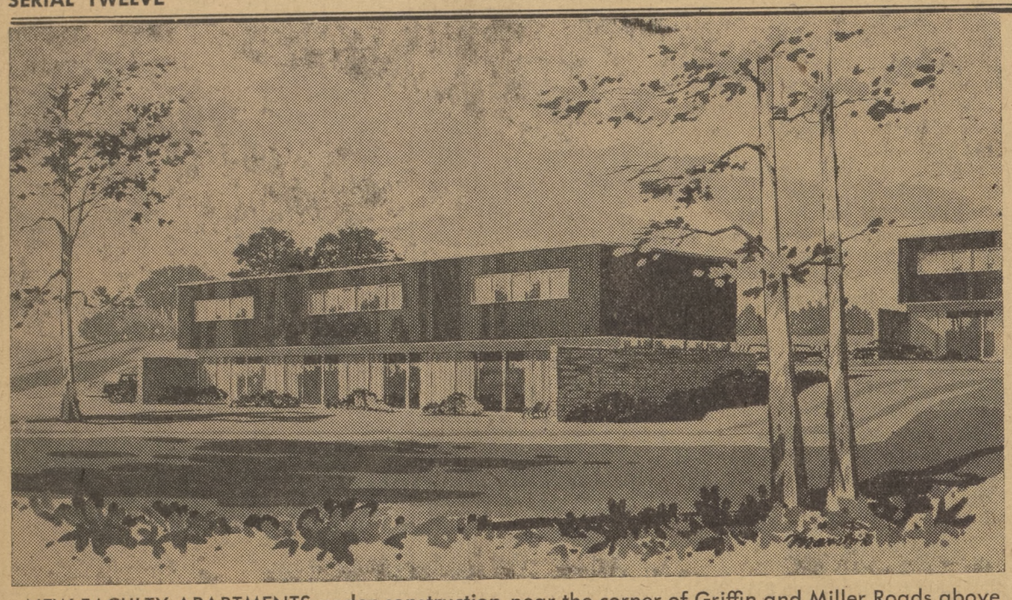

NEW FACULTY APARTMENTS under construction near the corner of Griffin and Miller Roads above the golf course are shown completed in an architect's drawing. Plans call for twelve apartments, one third of them to be completed in the early fall, the remainder in the late fall.

College To Award Degrees To 153 Graduating Seniors

One hundred fifty-three members of the class of 1959 tentatively will be awarded Bachelor of Arts degrees at Hamilton's 149th Commencement exercises, Sunday, June 7. Seven honorary degrees will also be conferred at the commencement exercises, which begin at 2:30 p.m.

George V. Allen, Director of the United States Information Agency, will deliver the charge to the graduating class. Dick Flanagan, '59, will give the commencement address.

Allen will receive a degree of Doctor of Laws. Other candidates for honorary degrees are Philip Cortney, president of the Coty perfume company; Alexander F. Osborne, '09, president of the Creative Education Foundation and a trustee of the college, Doctor of Humane Letters.

Degrees

Dr. Ernest S. Griffith, '17, Dean of the American University's School of International Service in Washington, Doctor of Humane Letters; Rev. Kermit J. Nord, '36, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Mineola, N. Y., Doctor of Divinity; Rev. Wheaton P. Webb, '33, pastor of the Epworth Methodist Church in Toledo, Ohio, Doctor of Divinity; and Caryl P. Haskins, author, research scientist, and member of President Eisenhower's scientific advisory committee, Doctor of Science.

Haskins, who is also President of the Carnegie Institution in Washington, will speak at the College's alumni luncheon in the Gymnasium at noon Saturday.

Various activities for alumni and other guests are planned for the remainder of graduation weekend.

Rudd Lecture

Friday evening, Prof. Emeritus Robert B. Rudd will lecture in the Root Art Center on *Poetry and Other Arts—an Investigation.*

Prof. Charles A. Godcharles will deliver a lecture in the Root Art Center Saturday morning at 9:30. His topic will be *The Ford Grant, Learning Machines, and Education.*

Prof. Berrian R. Shute will give a lecture-recital for ladies only, Saturday morning at 10:30 a.m., on *Little Known Masterpieces of Piano Music.*

The alumni golf tournament and hole-in-one contest will be held at 2:15 p.m. A Choir concert will follow.

President's Reception

At 4:15 p.m., alumni, faculty, staff, undergraduates, and guests are invited to the President's Reception in the Library.

An instrumental and vocal concert directed by Prof. John L. Baldwin will conclude Saturday's activities in the Chapel at 9 ap.m.

Rev. Wheaton P. Webb, '33, will deliver the Baccalaureate sermon at the service in the Chapel at 11 a.m. Sunday.

Two Psi U Sophomores Die In Car Crash Near Skidmore

John Rawls and Bruce Taylor, both Psi U sophomores, were killed instantly at about 12:30 Thursday morning when the convertible in which the two were driving left the road and overturned in a ditch.

The accident occurred on Route 29 near Broadalbin, N. Y., about twenty miles from Saratoga Springs, as the pair was returning to Hamilton from a date at Skidmore College.

Dean Winton Tolles and Associate Dean Sidney Wertimer identified the bodies at Broadalbin yesterday morning.

A memorial service for Rawls and Taylor will take place in the Chapel Sunday ta 12:30 p.m. The funeral service will be held tomorrow or Sunday at Darien, Conn., the home town of both the men.

Memorial Service

A memorial service for John Rawls and Bruce Taylor, who were killed Thursday morning when their convertible left Route 29 near Broadalbin, N. Y., will be held in the Chapel this Sunday at 12:30 p.m.

College Approves 20 Independent Study Petitions

Dean Winton Tolles announced Wednesday that 20 petitions for independent study next year have been approved by the chairmen of the nine departments involved.

This number is an increase of seven over last year's 13 approvals but falls short of the 1956-57 enrollment of 22 students.

Of the 20 approvals, the Psychology, Biology, Chemistry, and English Literature departments each have three men under their direction. Two men will be studying under the direction of the French department. Also represented will be the departments of Government, Philosophy, German, and Economics. Two men plan to study creative writing under the guidance of the English department.

Under the direction of the Psychology department will be Tom Roberts, Craig Foster, and Martin Tekulsky. Bill Renert, Dan Gottovi and Ed Chaitman will be under the supervision of the Chemistry department. Richard Lennon, Robert Jordon and William Boben will be advised by members of the Biology department.

Studying under supervision of the English department will be Peter Searls, Dick Blinkoff, and Herman Schnurr. Also under the same supervision will be Tim Hutchens and Bruce Whitt, who are both planning to do projects in the field of creative writing.

Both Mike Thompson and Woody Starkweather plan to study under the guidance of the French department. Skip Andrews, Bill Bonwitt, John Collins, and Louis Rosenfeld will be studying under the Philosophy, Government, Economics, and German departments, respectively.

As a prerequisite, each student must have at least two courses in the department in which he proposes to work and the approval of the chairman of that department.

Students are expected to work as steadily on a project or a reading program as they would if they were taking a regular course. The College stipulates that no student may pursue more than one program of independent study in a year.

Admissions Office Announces Class Of 230 Freshmen

About 230 freshmen will matriculate at Hamilton next September, the Admissions office announced Tuesday. This figure represents 20.7 per cent of the total number of applicants for entrance into the class of '63.

Acceptances were given to 420 of the 1110 applying. Of those accepted, 260 have paid their pre-registration deposits, but the Admissions office expects about 30 to drop out of the class. Since the class is still incomplete, statistics are not final.

College Board scores on the verbal sections will be about ten points higher for the class of '63 than for the class of '62. Scores on the mathematics sections will be about 30 points higher.

Fifty of next September's matriculants have won varsity football letters; 37 have won soccer letters. Twenty-three per cent of the entering class will be graduates of private preparatory schools, whereas 28 per cent of the present freshman class comes from private schools.

Compared to the present freshmen, a greater percentage of next year's entering class will come from New York State. About 60 per cent of these students hold New York State Regents Scholarships. In addition, the College will give financial aid to about one-third of the class.

One member of the Class of '63 has been awarded a National Merit Scholarship. Fourteen sons of alumni are members of the class, compared to 20 sons of alumni in the class of '62.

Five foreign exchange students will attend Hamilton next year—one each from China, Denmark, Finland, Scotland, and Sweden. In addition, an Arab boy will attend Hamilton as a regular student for four years.

McEwen Announces Appointments To Faculty for New Academic Year

The appointment of ten new faculty members for the coming year was announced this week by Pres. Robert W. McEwen.

Four of the appointees will relieve professors in mathematics, psychology, French and German of some of their duties in order that they may carry on experiments with the "teaching machine" under the $204,310 grant made to Hamilton in March by the Ford Foundation.

McEwen had previously announced the appointment of Charles L. Todd, president of the International Advisory Council in New York City, as professor of public speaking.

The list of 10 appointments announced today inlcudes Thomas E. Colby III, a 1942 graduate of Hamilton who was instructor in German at the College from 1947-49 and is now a member of the Columbia University faculty. He will become assistant professor of German. Colby's appointment is one of the four made under the Ford grant.

The others are Earl R. Willard, now a graduate teaching assistant at the University of Rochester, instructor in mathematics; George L. Geis, instructor at Columbia University, instructor in psychology; and Pierre R. Ducretet, a native of France and now a research assistant in linguistics at the University of Pennsylvania, instructor in French.

Charles C. Adler, currently a lecturer in history at Northwestern University, will join the Hamilton faculty in September as an assistant professor of history. An assistant professor at Johns Hopkins University and former research chemist with the E. I. DuPont Company, Frederick W. Grant, Jr., will become an assistant professor of chemistry. John F. Ellis, a graduate of Amherst where he is now teaching, will come to Hamilton as an assistant professor of biology. James D. Brown, Jr., will join the economics department as an assistant professor. He is also now teaching at Amherst.

The 10 appointees also include two new members of the college's coaching staff. Manfred E. von Schiller will be head coach of soccer and lacrosse and assistant coach of hockey. He is now an instructor at the Palmyra-Macedon Central School and is a graduate of Brockport State Teachers College. Robert E. Beaudry, Jr., an alumnus of Cortland State Teachers College, will assist von Schiller in soccer and lacrosse and be head coach of the Hamilton swimming team.

Prof. David D. Raphael, visiting professor of philosophy during the current semester, and Prof. Edwin C. Hoyt, visiting associate professor of government for the last two years, will complete their terms this June.

McEwen also announced the resignations of Prof. William D. Starnes, assistant professor of history since 1953; Prof. Leo Martinez, assistant professor of Spanish since 1952, who is returning to New York University to complete work for his doctoral degree; Prof. John B. Clark II, assistant professor of biology for the past two years, to do further graduate study; Prof. Thomas M. Klein, assistant professor of economics for two years, to join the International Monetary Fund, a subsidiary organization of the United Nations with headquarters in Washington, D. C.; and Prof. Charles L. Hunter, coach of the soccer, swimming and lacrosse teams since 1955, to join the coaching staff of Potsdam State Teachers College.

Senate Approves NewAppointments

The new members of the Social Committee and the Student Admissions Committee were approved by the Student Senate at its meeting Monday evening.

Next year's Student Admissions Committee consists of John Allen, chairman; Bill Hoyt; Pete Cadigan; Denny Baldwin; and Tony Cobourn.

Members of the Social Committee will be Jim Cornell, chairman; Skip Andrews; Chuck Woodworth; Bruce Sawyer; and two members of the class of '62, both of whom will be selected next year.

The two appointees will be selected by the present members of the Social Committee. Any interested freshmen may speak to Jim Cornell.

Fall Term

The all-college convocation, opening the academic year of 1959-60, will be Thursday, Sept. 17.

Freshman induction will begin Saturday, Sept. 12, and registration for the upper classes will be from Monday, Sept. 14, to Wednesday, Sept. 16.

Choir Announces Officers at Dinner

Attending the Intercollegiate Musical Council conference at Yale University last weekend were Prof. John Baldwin, Dick Storm, Dan Gottovi, Dave Holmlund, and Bill Smith.

The group attended various seminars on management of choirs.

At the annual Choir banquet last Monday evening at Grimaldi's Restaurant in Utica, Prof. Baldwin announced the Choir's officers for next year: Dan Gottovi, manager; Dave Holmlund, concert manager; Ron Bleezarde, publicity manager; Dave Mason, assistant publicity manager; Bill Smith, manager of the Brass Ensemble.

Also, Bob Wells, librarian; Tim Hall and Phil Bremenstuhl, assistant librarians; Eric Oatman, officer of the files; Bill deHaven, historian; Phil Hineline, accompanist; Gordon Thomas, sales manager; and George Elferink, assistant sales manager.

No Chapel

There will be no Chapel service this Sunday evening.

ENTHUSIASTIC AUDIENCE —

Reviewer Lauds Play Reading

by WALLACE B. JOHNSON

For the fourth production of its 50th anniversary year, the Charlatans offered a Reading last Tuesday night in the Chapel of Christopher Fry's delightful play in verse, *The Lady's Not for Burning.*

It pleased a respectful and enthusiastic audience which demonstrated its approval of the play and its performers with generously given and richly deserved applause. It was done as a reading. There was no scenery and no attempt to costume the players in period dress.

Music stands held the books from which the players read, each player standing to indicate his or her presence in the scene and sitting to indicate withdrawal from the stage. No action but facial and vocal expression carried the play, and in this, all the players were splendid.

Bigotry

The story of the play serves to show that the force of bigotry and the tradition of opinion may, and often do, conflict with the verities. An alleged witch, who does not want to die, and a discharged soldier, who does, are the central characters. *The Lady's Not for Burning* is set in the home of the mayor of a small town during the 15th century, where the soldier has come to demand to be hung—a demand flatly rejected by the mayor evidently because he had no forms or paraphernalia to carry out such a suggestion; and Jennet Jourdemayne, alleged by the townsfolk to be a witch, has come for protection and justice.

The two profligate nephews of the mayor are bewitched by her (not in the manner of the Salem witches, but in her role of the beautiful and attractive woman). They fall in love with her but neither of them wins her and the final "curtain" (there was none in the Chapel) finds her ready to depart into the future with the soldier.

Excellence

There are no "minor" parts in this play and there were no "minor" performances by any of the cast. "Excellent" would be the word that must be used for all of them. Each character is essential to the development of the play and each reader added brilliantly to this development.

However, the "witch" and the "soldier" are the leads and their portrayal by Jane Dance and Tim Scholl richly deserve top honors. Ethel Cameron, as the sister of the mayor, and Miles Frazel, as the mayor, had many of the witty, laugh-getting lines and they didn't miss one.

Terry Meyer, playing the chaplain in a wistful and humorous mood, met the demands of the role to perfection.

The two brothers — aspirants for the hand of Alizon Eliot — (who runs away with Richard, the clerk) and later for the favors of Jennet Jourdemayne (which were denied), were played by Scott Perry and William Mattern with understanding and humor.

Distinction

David Eckerman was excellent as Richard, as was Judith Miller as Alizon. Woody Starkweather as Tappercoon, the Justice, and Tom Markey as Matthew Skipps, a town drunk, gave distinction to these two parts by their superb rendition. All the players were splendid. If any of them should be singled out for special bouquets, they are Mrs. Dance and Tim Scholl—who would doubtless pass a flower to each one of their fellow-readers.

Robert Brown, who directed the reading, did so fine a job with his cast that the audience might well have forgotten that anything like mechanical direction had been involved and that such things as this reading "just happen" as a result of putting books into the hands of talented people; but more than this is essential, and to Bob Brown must go the loudest salvos.

Alpha Delt Elects

Pete Strawbridge was elected president of Alpha Delta Phi for the fall semester of next year.

Other officers for the semester are Mike Brenner, vice-president; Jim FitzGerald, recording secretary; and Dave Espey, corresponding secretary.

Officers elected for the full year are Chuck Colton, treasurer, and Fred Nichols, steward.

Sophomores Win Interclass Sing On Charter Day

Associate Dean Sidney Wertimer awarded the Paul A. Fancher Interclass Sing Trophy to the class of 1961, Wednesday evening in the Chapel following the sing.

The interclass competition in softball and golf was won by the class of 1960 with a total of eight points, President Robert W. McEwen announced.

Wertimer praised the victorious sophomores for their renditions of *It's You,* a number from the broadway play "The Music Man," and the spiritual, *Rock-a-My Soul.*

Judges of the interclass sing were Profs. John Baldwin, Russell Blackwood, and Sidney Wertimer.

The junior class won the interclass competition in softball and golf by a close margin. The freshmen were runners-up with seven points; the seniors and the sophomores acquired six points apiece.

FFS Film Tells Story of Robbery

Rififi, "the robbery staged like a ballet" according to Bosley Crowther of the *New York Times,* will be presented by the Foreign Films Society this Thursday, Friday and Saturday in the Chemistry auditorium at 8 p.m.

Jules Dassin, famous for his crime films, directed this account of a carefully planned, shrewdly executed jewel robbery. The robbery scene lasts for 35 minutes and is without dialogue.

The characters of this French film are so well developed that the audience almost finds itself as an accomplice to the robbery. Each action is so timed that the suspense is raised to an almost unbearable height.

Last Issue

This is the last issue of the *Spectator* for this year.

WALKER CUP competitor Ward Wettlaufer, shown above, was victorious last weekend, as was the eight man U. S. team of which he is a member. Wettlaufer and Jack Nicklaus of Ohio State defeated a British team 2 and 1 in the foursomes last Friday and Wettlaufer alone won 6 and 5 Saturday. The matches were held in Muiresfield, Scotland, from which Wettlaufer is expected to return sometime late this week.

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Our Sympathy . . .

We were all shocked to hear of the death of John Rawls and Bruce Taylor in an auto accident Thursday morning. On behalf of the College community, we wish to express our sympathy to the families and to friends.

Questionable Legislation . . .

The Student Senate Monday evening established a questionable system of recovering stolen articles, with the following provisions:

1. Each fraternity president will receive a list of stolen articles, will search his house for them, and will either return any articles he has found or will sign an affidavit stating that the items are not in his house.

2. If stolen articles are found in a fraternity house after its president has signed the affidavit, the house may be fined up to $1000.

3. If a fraternity president refuses to sign the affidavit, a Senate committee may search his house for the missing articles.

We realize that the Senate does not want to punish anyone; that the maximum fine of $1000 will probably never be levied, unless most members of a fraternity know that stolen articles are being kept in the house; that a fraternity or house president will probably never be punished for stolen articles found in a house after the signing of an affidavit, if the articles in question have been stolen and secretly hidden by a few individuals; and that any fine levied by the Senate's Judiciary Committee must be approved by the Associate Dean and can be appealed to the faculty's Committee on Student Activities.

But the new system involves certain difficulties. In the first place, some house presidents may not care to entail the legal responsibility of signing an affidavit. Not many houses, in addition, will welcome a committee which has arrived to search their private property. And the very existence of an unpopular police force may promote the theft and hiding of articles.

If Hamilton were a college with unfriendly fraternities, with uncooperative house presidents, and with dishonest students who would not return stolen articles, then the legislation which the Senate has passed might be necessary. But in a small, closely knit college like Hamilton, the present system of recovering stolen articles, whereby the fraternity presidents, Senate, and administration cooperate informally, is probably the most efficient and least objectionable. It has been through this informal cooperation that numerous stolen articles have been recovered.

We urge the Senate not to effect the system of signing affidavits with the threat of fines but rather to continue working closely and informally with the fraternities and with the administration.

Lack of Information . . .

The Letter to the Editor from Peter C. Appleby, concerning an editorial entitled 'Petty Differences' published in last week's issue, exhibits a lack of information which we do not feel should go unnoticed.

Appleby, in the first place, demonstrates his inability to tell us just what Pentagon does. He says that Pentagon operates without "clandestine plotting or inuendo" and without "ostentatious display." Just what is it, if anything, that Pentagon performs so admirably?

Secondly, Appleby apparently did not read the editorial carefully and therefore did not distinguish between the editorial and Seyba's letter. Appleby ascribes to our editorial "the notion that man created the differences which exist between individuals . . . " We, however, stated clearly that we did not agree or disagree with Seyba's letter *in toto;* we used the letter as an introduction and expanded the statement that "the petty differences . . . are so much nonsense."

We would not deny individual differences, but we would also maintain that neither Appleby, nor Pentagon, nor anyone else has the right or the ability to assign people to arbitrary categories. Appleby's assertion that "credit should be given where it is due" has become more questionable since the Pentagon tappings last Wednesday; the student body cannot agree what constitutes credit and where it is due.

Appleby, in addition, claims that our "irresponsible name-calling . . . arises from ignorance and the refusal to seek accurate information." Our sources, with whom we have discussed the "honor" groups over the past three years, include: Seyba himself, two members of Pentagon, two members of Was Los, a member of DT, and five members of the faculty. If Appleby has any objective sources, besides the present members of Pentagon, he fails to list them.

CHARLATANS reading of Christopher Fry's "The Lady's Not For Burning" was held in the Chapel Tuesday evening. Robert Brown directed the reading, the fourth production in the Charlatan's 50th anniversary year.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR —

Director Defends Charlatans' Worth; Writer Clarifies Criticized Editorial

Dear Editor,

Last week's editorial on the Charlatans contained the following sentence. "Next year's director will be challenged to prove his group is challenging." It also stated that "the Charlatans will be challenged to prove its work is not superfluous."

It is clear that the writer of the editorial is impressed with his own use of words, and it is also clear that he knows little about the theater or the past history of the Charlatans.

In the first place, a director does not have to "prove" his group challenging, for any dramatic organization which attempts theater is a challenged group. All phases of theater—from directing to the acting of a minor part are challenging.

In fact the Charlatans have proven that they more than once have presented productions which offer a greater than usual theater challenge. I am thinking of the *Duchess of Malfi* or the first college presentation of a controversial Saroyan play.

Secondly, if there is one thing which the Charlatans have shown in their 50 year history, it is that they most definitely have not been a superfluous organization. Are productions of *Billy Budd, Death of a Salesman, Waiting for Godot, The Man Who Came to Dinner, Stalag 17,* and *The Skin of Our Teeth* superfluous?

No, next year's director will not have to prove suddenly that the Charlatans are not superfluous, but rather he must continue a 50 year tradition which has shown the organization to be one of the most worthwhile on the Hill.

Walter W. Smyth

Reply:

How could the writer be unaware of the past history of the Charlatans? Certainly the *Spectator* has not failed in its duty to proclaim and publicize the glories of that history. All that was really lacking was a list of Charlatan-presented plays, and now that oversight has been remedied.

But if Mr. Smyth read more than one paragraph of the editorial, he must have noticed that my eye was on the future, whatever the temptation to consider only the past. And I still hope that next year's director will not show, as Mr. Smyth has emphatically shown in word and deed, that he believes "a director does not have to 'prove' his group challenging."

If anything is clear to Mr. Smyth, it is that "all phases of theater" are ordered (reading top to bottom) "from directing to the acting of a minor part . . ." But above directing I would like to place choosing of plays, that is.

Unless the choice of play is good, the director's job will be even more unrewarding than we have heard it is, and the minor part may only serve to tie up those loose ends some playwrights are plagued with.

It is significant, then, that the most satisfying evening the Charlatans have presented us with this year began with three people, not one, in the chooser's role. And I must repeat that bored actors do not make a challenged, or challenging, group.

I think it unfortunate that Mr. Smyth chose to emphasize a minor point of the editorial to the detriment of more important issues; also that personalities had to be indulged in.

But I am compelled to ask: who is impressed with what?

E. C. H.

Student Criticizes Recent Editorial, Defends Pentagon

To the Editor:

Dear Sir,

The editorial entitled 'Petty Differences' which appeared in last week's *Spectator* indicates a mixture of ignorance and misinformation which should not go unnoticed. The notion that man created the differences which exist between individuals is as absurd as the premise that all men are equal. To deny individual differences is to deny that one action is better than another and that, ultimately, human progress is possible. I suggest that you examine the implications of your premises before you accept them as axiomatic.

You have given us a list of Hamilton organizations which promote the interests of "petty differences" and honors from the "despicable depths." If you call yourselves peasants because you are not members of these groups, I suppose I should also be a member of the peasant class. I have, however, questioned the authority of Pentagon and have discovered that there is in the operation of this group very little clandestine plotting or inuendo. Pentagon appears to be a group whose objective is service to the college without ostentatious display. I do not argue that all honorary societies are above reproach, but I do think that the irresponsible name-calling in your editorial arises from ignorance and the refusal to seek accurate information.

I would further contend that the recognition of meritorious achievement is not an undesirable activity. I agree that no student should be satisfied or complacent after he has reached a certain level, but I believe that credit should be given where it is due.

Sincerely,
PETER C. APPLEBY

Golf Team Loses Syracuse Match, Defeats Cortland

Still playing without Captain Wettlaufer, the Hamilton golf team was defeated by Syracuse, 8-1, last Saturday afternoon.

The playing conditions were miserable and the contest was marked by a strong, icy wind blowing in off the West fairway.

Pete Hankin, in the number one position for Hamilton, was defeated, 3-2, by the former Eastern Intercollegiate Champion Mike Dritz. The match was quite close and could have gone either way until the back nine, when Hankin began hooking his drives to the left. The highlight of this single occured on the seventh green; Hankin shot a 55-foot putt which hung on the lip of the cup for about five seconds before the icy winds finally pushed it in.

Goose Mongeau lost his match to Perry Wickfart, 2 and 1; Tom Aitkin, who had equal trouble with his opponent, lost, 3 and 2. The only winner was Dick Jackson, who beat Franz de Poirret, 2-1. Reggie Knuteson beat Kim Levene 4 and 3, and Paul Kramer lost to Harry Weiskittell, 2 and 1.

Four days later the golf team, playing at Cortland, won 6½ - 2½. The most exciting match was won by Peter Hankin, who shot a 94.

The only other loss was by Paul Kramer. Cortland gained one-half point by tying for the best ball in the Hankin-Mongeau foursome.

Hill Newman Club Holds Breakfast

The Newman Club will hold its annual Communion breakfast Sunday, May 24, at St. Mary's Church, Clinton, after the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Dr. Arthur W. Brown, chairmna of the English department of Utica College, will speak on the *Intellectually Responsible Catholic.*

The club will elect its new officers and discuss plans for next year.

HERE AND THERE

by Ed Haenlin

Last Sunday's *Times,* which I suppose everyone has read anyway, carried several quotable bits of humor and/or wisdom:

"If you pick up a starving dog and make him prosperous, he will not bite you. This is the principle difference between a dog and a man."
— Twain

"I have no special regard for Satan; but I can at least claim that I have no prejudice against him. A person who has for untold centuries maintained the imposing position of spiritual head of four-fifths of the human race, and political head of the whole of it, must be granted the possession of executive abilities of the loftiest order." — Twain again.

"The Democrat says things are awful and tells you a joke to cheer you up; the Republican says things are wonderful — and weeps at the beauty of it." — Senator Kenneth Keating.

"But Jack (Sen. John F. Kennedy) has problems. Every time he appears on a TV panel show, viewers write in to ask which college won the debate." — Keating.

"The United States of 1970 will be part of the world of 1970."
— Henry Steele Commager.

The Swarthmore Phoenix *reports that that venerable college's Student Council has just "voted money for two more frisbees and a croquet set." The grass in front of Root Hall looks immeasurably greener.*

Over at the Colleges of the Seneca (Hobart and William Smith, to the initiate), they have a light touch. For example:

To the Editor:

I have noticed in a recent edition of *The Herald* that the College is about to undertake the construction of a bell tower linking the Chapel and Library buildings. I would like to drop my own little contribution into the bucket of comment.

Certain aspects of the situation have been overlooked. More of an objective, bird's-eye view is in order. The added space has long been needed. Furthermore, this tower will prove to be a nesting place, a roost, and a homing point for those who wish to strengthen a long-lasting Hobart relationship.

So I feel that although the bill may be large, the tower will be useful, and there is no need to peck at the Administration. In reality, this is a feather in our cap.

In sincerity,
Byron S. Pigeon, Jr.

Colgate's "SPRING PARTY QUEEN IS 'BLOND GODDESS'; PREFERS ROOT BEER." It's round.

"The Seventh Annual Community Memorial Hospital Jamboree will be held in Hamilton on July 25-26 . . . "

After J. B. *we really shouldn't criticize, but . . . "the differences between men and women are more than 'architectural', asserted Archibald MacLeish to an imaginary antagonist." Now, this is all well and good, but the world isn't ready for it yet. Still, he did wait for Frank Lloyd Wright's death before broaching the subject.*

Louis Cohn-Haft, an associate professor of History at Smith College, was caught by the *Sophian,* deliberately advising the girls there not to "marry an Italian count. If an engagement to one scores heavily in your set, very well. Engagements are easily broken. Marriages are difficult." But. Louis, darling, to an Italian Count! Well, really, I mean, Italian counts are juuuuuust top-notch!

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Alfred Defeats Hamilton In Close Track Meet

by Butch Logan

Last Saturday Hamilton's track team met the other teams in the New York State Track Meet at RPI.

The meet became a close battle between Alfred and Hamilton for first place. Hamilton narrowly led in the final event, the mile relay; but Alfred, thanks to Frank Finnerty's blazing finish, edged out Hamilton and won the meet by one-seventh of a point.

Finnerty of Alfred, who in addition to his anchor leg in the relay, won the mile run and the 880-yard run, was given the McDonagh Trophy as Most Valuable Trackman in the meet.

Team Effort

Alfred won the meet by team effort, whereas Hamilton produced less team effort. In spite of some disappointments in the Hamilton squad, many of the Blue men came through as expected and the team even picked up some additional points which it had not counted on.

When Union's javelin thrower Gute came up with a sore arm, Union realized that it did not have a chance of winning the meet, so Union raced Hoffman in only the two mile, and Jurjevics in only the 440-yard dash, in an attempt to set new records. These records were not forthcoming, and Union's maneuver helped Alfred more than it helped Hamilton.

The Finnerty - Sweet combination, as a result, took a combination of nine points for Alfred in both the 880-yard run and the mile run.

Standout

Doc Jordan was the standout Hamilton runner. He won the 220-yard dash, run on a turn, in 21.9 seconds, equaling his best time of the year. This race was the sixth Jordan had run during the day. In addition, Jordan took second in the 100-yard dash.

Glenn Hudson and Howie Wilcox turned in their best times of the year to place fourth and fifth in the 880-yard dash. Bob Wilkins won first for Hamilton in the high hurdles, in his best time of the year. Chick Vincent ran well in the 440-yard dash to take a second.

John Nichols and Norman Boggs both performed well in the meet and Jay Welsh and John Messersmith, although they did not place, both turned in their best performances of the year.

Other Hamilton point winners were: John Stevens, tie, for fifth in the high jump; Phil Hineline, fifth in the mile; Norm Boggs, third, and Terry Eld, fourth, in the high hurdles; John Moore, third in the javelin; Bill Poole, second in the two mile; and John Nichols, Terry Eld, and Steve Cooney, 3, 4, and 4, respectively, in the low hurdles.

Tomorrow Hamilton takes on Cortland. Coach Long hopes that there will be no letdown from last week, because he says that Cortland should be rougher than Ithaca in a dual meet.

Following are the three top men in each event:

Shot Put: 1, Marella (Ithaca); 2, Hale (Oswego); 3, Marella (Ithaca). 134' 9½".
Discus: 1, Marshall (Union); 2, Farmer (Brockport); 3, Farmer (Oswego). 46'4¾".
High Jump: 1, (tie), Mann (Brockport), Ostrum (Hamilton); 3-tie. 5' 11¼".
Mile Run: 1, Finnerty (Alfred); 2, Sweet (Alfred); 3, Hughes (Buffalo State). 4:17.5.
440 Yard Dash: 1, Ulmer (Alfred); 2, Vincent (Hamilton); 3, Amato (U. of Buffalo). 51.1.
100 Yard Dash: 1, Hole (Roch.); 2, Jordan (Hamilton); 3, Smith (RPI). 9.9.
High Hurdles: 1, Wilkins (Hamilton); 2, Whitmer (Rochester); 3, Boggs (Hamilton. 16.1.
Javelin: Ruquist (Union); 2, Conwich (Alfred); 3, Moore (Hamilton). 171' 5".
Broad Jump: 1, Kelly (Alfred); 2, West (Ithaca); 3, Smith (RPI). 21' 11¾".
880: 1, Finnerty (Alfred); 2, Sweet (Alfred); 33 Jurjevics (Union). 1:54.7.
220: 1, Jordan (Hamilton); 2, Hole (Rochester); 3, Smith (RPI). 21.9.
2 Mile: 1, Hoffman (Union); 2, Poole (Hamilton); 3, Becker (U. of Buffalo). 9:39.4.
Low Hurdles: 1, Grommeck (RPI); 2, Witmer (Rochester); 3, Nichols (Hamilton). 26.3.
Mile Relay: 1, Alfred; 2, Hamilton; 3, RPI. 3:27.6.
Frosh Medley Relay: 1, Buffalo State; 2, Union; 3, RPI.
Final Team Scores: 1, Alfred, 48 11/14; 2, Hamilton, 48 9/14; 3, Ithaca, 22 9/14; 4, Union, 22; 5, RPI, 19 1/7; 6, Rochester, 19; 7, U. of Buffalo, 13½; 8, Brockport, 10½; 9, Oswego, 9 1/7; 10, Buffalo State, 7; 11, Cortland, 4 9/14.

Chi Psi, A D Phi To Meet Today In Softball Finals

by Neal Goldman

Alpha Delta Phi and Chi Psi will meet in the finals of the Intramural Softball Tournament.

Chi Psi qualified for the finals by winning two games in one day. Paced by the fine pitching and hitting of Trigger Burke, Chi Psi overcame Squires 11-9 Tuesday afternoon and went on to top DKE 18 - 8 the same evening.

A seven run third inning put Chi Psi out front 9 - 2, and though Squires came back with four in the fourth, they could not catch Chi Psi. The two extra runs proved to be insurance runs only.

DKE defeated a strong ELS team 10 - 9 in a game that went into extra innings. DKE came from behind to score five runs in the seventh inning to tie the score at nine apiece. A single tally in the eighth provided the winning margin.

Undefeated Alpha Delt earned their finals berth by defeating ELS 6 - 1 in the first semi-final contest. Ted Wright got the win. Loading the bases in the first and third innings, Wright escaped without injury due to a double play in the first and several fine fielding efforts in the third. Cliff Heaton and Tim Melchior contributed base hits to the first inning rally in which Alpha Delt scored three markers on five consecutive hits. The scoring was concluded with three more AD runs in the third inning.

Dave Kleinbaum pitched as Squires set back Sig 3 - 0. Kleinbaum's first shutout of the season was not marred by a single walk. He struck out three men.

Sig gained their only victory of the year against Psi U. The Psi U loss put them completely out of the running for the second playoff position in the Buff League.

The final standings in the Buff League show Alpha Delt first with a 5 - 0 record; Chi Psi second, 4 - 2; Squires third, 3 - 3; Psi U fourth, 2 - 3; and TKE and Sig tied for fifth place with identical 1 - 4 records.

DKE copped Blue League honors with a 5 - 0 record, followed by ELS, 4 - 1; DP, 3 - 2; Gryphon and TDX, 0-3; and DU, 0 - 4.

ELS will meet DKE in the final for third place in the overall league standings.

New Officers

John Ellis was elected president of Hamilton's Glee Club at a recent meeting.

Other officers elected are Denny Baldwin, secretary; Jim FitzGerald, publicity director; and Kennedy Roberts, treasurer and librarian.

Tennis Team Wins Match Wednesday

Wednesday, May 18th, after an idle week, the Buff and Blue played St. Lawrence and defeated the Larries 6 - 3.

St. Lawrence got off to a fast start as their number one and two men won in straight sets. Jessie Sammis beat Don Kittell 6 - 1, 6 - 2, and Richard Pichett topped Phil Lord 6 - 1, 6 - 4. Hamilton, however, swept the remaining four singles and won a 4 - 2 lead.

Jerry Dirvin defeated Peter Booth 6 - 3, 3 - 6, 6 - 3, and Butch Logan beat David Geis 6 - 4, 2 - 6, 6 - 3. Hadley Roe shut out his opponent in the first set but then dropped the second 5 - 7 before ending the match with a 6 - 2 third set.

Ollie Easterwood was victorious 6 - 2, 5 - 7, 6 - 1.

Kittell and Lord paired off against Sammis and Pichett, with the latter team winning 7 - 5, 6 - 4. Roe and Logan defeated their opponents 7 - 9, 8 - 6, 10 - 8, and Dirvin and Easterwood finished with a 6 - 1, 6 - 0 victory.

Tomorrow the Continentals meet Union at home.

SENIOR-FACULTY SOFTBALL GAME was won by the faculty 5-4 Wednesday following convocation exercises. Swinging away, above, is Rocky Nelson. Others pictured are Prof. Weber, Dean Tolles, Profs. Hunter and Hunt. Umpire is John Penniston. Inter-class competition in softball, tennis, golf and singing was held in the afternoon and evening.

Continentals Yield To Colgate; Diamond Record Now at 4 - 5

by Chic Finn

Colgate defeated the Continentals in baseball Wednesday, 14 - 1.

The defeat lowered the Hamilton record to four wins and five losses. It is the first time this season the team has been below the .500 mark.

Hopes were bright for the Blue in the first inning when Scott Finegan and Al Ahrens both got hits off Colgate hurler Pete Hanlon, and when Bob Kliphon set down the Red Raiders one, two, three in the home half of the frame.

Hopes, however, dimmed in the bottom of the second when Colgate hammered the Continentals for four runs. Two doubles, three singles, and a Hamilton error accounted for the scores. In the third, Colgate's Art Dohm hit a three-run circuit clout over the fence in right field to give the Raiders a 7 - 0 lead.

After Colgate scored once in the fourth, Kliphon held them scoreless in the fifth. After giving up three runs in the sixth frame, Coach Batt called on Pete Enser to relieve starting Kliphon. In relief, Ensor gave up three runs and seven hits to give the Raiders their final 14-run total.

The single Continental tally came in the seventh. Ken Tucker took first on a fielder's choice and went to second on an error by Hanlon. Mike Slattery singled to left to bring him home.

Hanlon recorded the win while Kliphon took the loss to lower his record to 2 - 2.

The contest with the University of Rochester last Saturday was rained out. When the game was called in the Continentals' half of the fourth inning, the score was 8 - 3 in favor of the Yellowjackets.

Today, the team traveled to Union for the final game of the season. A win will put the Hillmen at an even 5 - 5 mark for the year. On Parents Weekend, the Dutchmen beat the Blue, 6 - 5, in the tenth inning. Since the second World War, Union has defeated Hamilton 16 times while losing only eight.

Captain Joe Nicolette, third baseman Mike Slattery, and short stop Scott Finegan, all lettermen, are the only players who will be absent from the Continental roster next year.

Hamilton (1)	ab	r	h	Colgate (14)	ab	r	h
Slattery, 3b	4	0	1	Driscoll, rf	6	0	3
Nicolette, cf	4	0	0	McDeritt, 3b	4	1	1
Finegan, ss	4	0	3	Gillespie, 3b	2	1	2
Ahrens, 1b	4	0	2	Gray, 2b	6	2	3
McDonnell, lf	4	0	0	Galscione, c	4	2	3
DiGiulian, c	3	0	1	Abel, lf	1	0	0
Collins, 2b	2	0	0	Diamond, cf	3	2	2
Black, 2b	1	0	0	Homestead, ss	4	2	1
K'kpatrick, rf	2	0	0	Dohm, lf	3	2	1
Tucker, rf	1	1	0	Thomson, lf, c	2	1	2
Kliphon, p	2	0	0	DiChiara, 1b	3	1	2
Ensor, p	2	0	0	Tracy, 1b	1	0	1
				Hanlon, p	5	0	1
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All Library Books Due by June 1

All library books and prints from the Picture Rental Collection should be returned to the Library by June 1, reports Mr. Walter Pilkington, Librarian.

Seniors must comply with this request before graduation so that their records may be cleared.

The Library requests that as many books as possible be returned before the June 1 deadline.

TKE Elects

TKE, in recent house elections, selected: president, Paul Englund; vice-president, Dave Holmlund; chaplain, Frank Citro; secretary, Gerry Moses; treasurer, Ed Haenlin; historian, Scott Perry; sergeant-at-Arms, Dick Ochs; hegumen, Jim Towery; house manager, Cas Neville; steward, Keith Austin; fireman, Jon Mulford.

College Stickmen To Meet Hobart Here Saturday

by Bernie Mikell

The Hamilton lacrosse team meets the Hobart stickmen at 2:30 tomorrow on the lacrosse field, hoping to break a streak of three straight losses.

The Blue stickmen dropped their third close game in a row last Saturday to the CCNY Beavers, 11 - 9.

Last Saturday's game was played at New York City's Lewisohn stadium, a large concrete stadium with a very hard playing surface. As in weeks past, the Hamilton team played strongly in the latter part of the game but was unable to overcome an early City lead. The Continentals outscored the Beavers, 3 - 1, in the last quarter.

Co-captain Earl Rickerson scored twice in the second half to bring his afternoon's total to five goals, high for both teams. Rickerson played what Coach Chip Hunter described as "probably the finest game of his lacrosse career." Co-captain Bill Hoyt played an outstanding game at defense.

Attack Joe Schoonover had two goals and two assists, and Dick Russell and Dave Merkel each scored once. Jack Zeis had an assist.

For the City team, attack Fred Schwettman had four goals and three assists. Co-captain Bill Rodriguez and midfield Charles Yates each scored three.

Goalie Don Spencer, appearing in the Hamilton nets for the first time since his injury two weeks ago, was replaced in the second quarter by Gary Ennis. Whether or not Don will play in tomorrow's game against Hobart is uncertain.

The absence of attacks Pete Strawbridge and Ted Johnson and midfield Rod Ramsay severely weakened the Blue offensive power. All three men were unable to make the trip last week due to academic difficulties but will be able to play in tomorrow's game.

Hobart boasts a very strong offense, led by attack Pete Dahowski, and will probably be the Continental's toughest opponent this year. The Statesmen beat Hamilton last year, 9 - 8, in a hard-fought game at Geneva. The Blue squad is out to avenge the close loss and also to win the last game Chip Hunter will coach at Hamilton. Chip will be at Potsdam next year, where he will coach soccer and basketball.

The Hot Corner

By Dick Jackson

Participating in intercollegiate athletics is undoubtedly one of the most rewarding of the extra-curricular activities at Hamilton. After playing three years of golf at Hamilton, I can honestly say that I enjoyed every moment of it.

Participation in athletics (in my case golf) teaches the college student many things. Most important of all is that although he is out to win every match on the schedule, the student must be a sportsman. I realize that this statement is the one everyone makes about all sports, but I think it is particularly true about golf. The student soon learns that if he cannot control his temper and act maturely at all times, his position on the team is endangered. The sooner he learns to conduct himself like a gentleman, the better he is, not only on but also off the course.

Being a member of the golf team at Hamilton, on the other hand, entails one serious disadvantage that some other sports do not. Since the golf team plays ten intercollegiate matches within a month, it is quite impossible to schedule them all for Saturdays. This means that more than half of the matches must be played during the middle of the week. This fact, of course, means that the team members will miss numerous classes at the most vital part of the semester. Whether the cuts are "free cuts" or not, they take their toll, as many of the golfers will admit.

I think that this serious fault can be and should be remedied. It has been proposed, and many of the golfers as well as Coach Don Jones agree, that the number of matches be cut down. The number of dual matches should be restricted to seven or possibly even to six. To add more golf which would not entail missing classes, the Blue team could take part in the Harpur invitational tournament which is played at Binghamton on one weekend in May. This tournament is a two-day, medal-play tournament entered by a number of college golf teams in the area. If the dual matches are cut down considerably and the Harpur tournament is substituted, the golfers will be able to derive more from their classes while still playing about the same amount of golf.

I feel that the advantages offered by participation in athletics heavily outweigh all disadvantages. After my college years are over, I know that I will always be able to look back and enjoy all of the good times I had on the trips and on the links themselves. Thinking back now over the good scores, the bad shots, the excellent meals, the many laughs, I know I will never regret a moment spent playing golf for Hamilton.

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Sitting in the hotel bar, I felt a quick pain as I realized everything was nothing. Also the waiter had put an elbow in my eye as he served the beer. It was teeming rain outside. Later perhaps, with luck, there would be a tidal wave. I began to sob happily.

"Stop crying in your beer," my father said, moving my Schaefer. "It's real beer." But was it? Was anything real, or unreal, or in any way touched with meaning? We had been coming to Atlantic City too many seasons. Just me, my father, Annette, Yvette, Babette. I was bored.

A proud, frail young man approached our table. My cheeks grew damper than ever. I was in love again. "I see you drink Schaefer, too," he said to me. "Do you know what you hear in the best of circles?"

I shook my head, sailing tears about the room. "Of course," my father interrupted. "Schaefer all around!" I wanted to kill him.

My young man's dark-circled eyes grew sad. "Here's to smooth, *round* Schaefer," he said. "Never sharp, never flat." My father raised his glass to return the toast, but I quickly pushed him over backwards in his chair. "To Schaefer, all liquid gold and capped with snow," I said, my voice alive with ennui. We clinked glasses, and he was gone.

And I was all alone again, surrounded by people. But the clink of the glasses of Schaefer, ah, that is my bittersweet treasure. So each evening, when the Schaefer comes, after the pain of memory, after the waiter's elbow, I say, "Good evening, happiness . . . Good evening, Schaefer." And then I cry.

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Senate Discusses Plans To Find Lost Articles

The Student Senate Monday evening discussed a plan of recovering lost or stolen articles by searching fraternities and dormitories on the Hill.

The Senate passed a motion by Chuck Colton to solve the problem of lost and stolen articles. The motion includes four main points:

1. A committee of more than one, appointed by the president of the Senate, will receive requests for articles which have disappeared.

2. The committee will present a list of missing articles to each fraternity. The committee will request the president of each fraternity to sign an affidavit stating that his fraternity does not possess any of the missing articles listed.

Search Fraternities

3. The committee may search any fraternity house whose president refuses to sign the affidavit.

4. If any lost or stolen articles are found in a fraternity house whose president has signed the affidavit, the Judiciary Committee will levy a fine, not to exceed $1000, upon that fraternity.

In other business, Don Kittell, chairman of this year's Social Committee, announced the selection of members for the coming year. Chosen were Jim Cornell, chairman; Bruce Sawyer; Skip Andrews; and Chuck Woodworth. The Senate approved the Social Committee's appointments.

Freshmen

Kittell mentioned that two members from the freshman class have not yet been appointed to the committee. Interested freshmen should contact Cornell this week.

The Senate elected Ed Chaitman as a representative to the Publications Board. The Senate's selection must be either a junior or senior who is not a staff member of any one of the three College publications, the *Spectator*, the *Continental*, or the *Hamiltonian*.

Hell Week

Pete Wyckoff, chairman of the Initiation Week Committee, outlined three proposals concerning Hell Week next year:

1. Hell Week should take place outside the academic year;

2. Hell Week should be more closely regulated if it is kept within the academic year;

3. Hell Week should be abolished.

Chuck Colton, Rushing Committee chairman, said that a letter would be sent to the president of each fraternity clarifying the rushing rules for next year. He expressed his desire for a meeting with the incoming freshmen on the first Sunday of the fall semester to explain clearly and explicitly the rushing program for next year.

By-Laws

Bob Lanson, chairman of the By-laws committee, said that this summer he would compile the By-laws included in previous minutes of Senate meetings dating back to the formation of the Senate in 1957.

The Senate passed Lanson's motion to have the By-laws kept in report form by the secretary of the By-laws Committee and excluded from the Student Handbook.

Pete Rasmussen said he will find out if the Senate has the funds to support an orphan next year. Financial support of an orphan will cost the Senate $15 per month.

Dick Guerin unofficially substituted for John Sullivan; Bryant McCarthy substituted for Art Skidmore; Dick Blessing for Tim Norbeck; Dick Blessing for Dave Eckerman; and Glenn Hudson for Bob Wells. Tom Aitken and Dan Burke were late.

Raphael Debates God's Existence In Hill Lecture

Mildly protesting that "philosophy is my business, not theology," Prof. David D. Raphael began his lecture "Faith and Reason" Monday evening in the Root Art Center.

Before beginning the main part of his subject, Raphael admonished his audience not to "chuck past philosophy and theology overboard," for our religions are historical ones. We must either put forward a new religion or remain in large extent in accordance with traditional religion.

The usual distinction between philosophy and religion is made on belief that philosophy uses reason, whereas religion recognizes the limitations of reason and uses faith to go beyond what reason can demonstrate.

Natural Theology

Natural theology uses reason to back up religion, but it has "fallen on evil days," leaving theologians to rely on revelation. But revelation must be given historical support, and since revelation is merely the "putting forth of ethical prescription," Raphael questioned whether truth is applicable to revelation and suggested that more attention be paid to natural theology.

The chief thing that natural theologians attempted to prove was the existence of God. Four types of arguments were used by them: casual, ontological, design and moral.

The casual argument is a synthetic proposition and reason can only deal with analytic propositions. Raphael asserts that "we will be satisfied enough if we are given an argument" which is as reasonable as science, even if not a strict deduction. But even if we accept this as a satisfactory showing of God's existence, Pascal has pointed out that this is not necessarily the same God as the God of religion, who has ethical attributes as well as metaphysical ones.

Argument

The ontological argument has been disposed of by Hume and Kant in a manner acceptable to Raphael.

But the argument from design, although analogical and even more tenuous than most analogical arguments, is "in a way the best we can do." "It is worth noting that Hume and Kant . . . give this argument great respect."

Moral Argument

The moral argument is not convincing, since to say that virtue ought to be rewarded does not prove that it is.

Because none of these arguments conclusively demonstrates the existence of God, we supposedly fall back on faith. But what is faith? "I think this concept of faith, and here I stick my neck out . . . is a mongrel word."

Raphael went on to show that the Hebrew and Greek words for faith have differently shaded meanings. "The Hebrew word for faith primarily means trust, trust in a person." The Greek word also carries this meaning but puts more emphasis on trust in the existence of something.

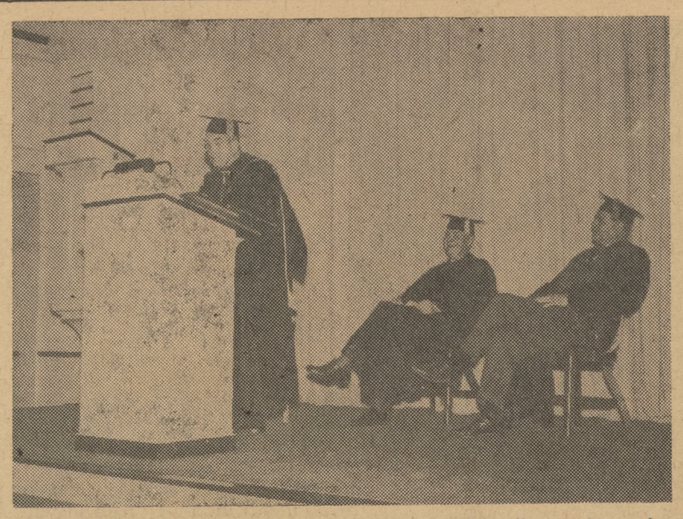
"The question of God's existence just does not arise" in the Bible. The question is whether you can trust Him. Raphael suggested that Biblical faith is a hybrid produced by the theological attempt to marry Greek logic and Christianity.

Revelation

Since the existence of God is simply assumed in revelation and since logic cannot prove His existence, only experience remains. But "nobody meets God in the way I can meet John Brown."

And what do we mean by God? The "Cause of the world is not enough." Is this Cause also the Source of goodness? Not necessarily. That ethics is purely human is a "perfectly respectable and tenable position."

There is "still room for natural philosophy."



CONVOCATION speaker Dr. Louis Jones, '30, talks on "Hamilton College and the Upstate Renaissance" in the Chapel. President Robert W. McEwen and Dean Winton Tolles look on before awarding academic prizes to this year's outstanding students.

Alumnus Speaks On Folklore At Charter Day Assembly

by BILL MACLACHLAN

Folklore and Hamilton College were about the only things left unscathed by Louis C. Jones, '30, in his Class and Charter Day address, *Hamilton College and the Upstate Rennaissance*.

Once upstate New York was thought of as a wild country with Cooper's Indians running silently through the woods and Rip van Winkles dozing on every hillside. The entire area was regarded as nothing more than a mere appendage of New York City with the Erie Canal, cutting it in half, going to the Golden West.

New England, thanks to the prejudiced historians who wrote our country's history, was regarded as the center of cultural life whence everything good came.

Varied Heritage

However, this area north and west of Westchester County has a varied heritage of which we all can be proud. We have beautiful scenery and a native genius for "creative talking." The most important figures in the movement which transfigured this area were, with one exception, Hamilton men.

The exception is Walter D. Edmonds who, while laboring under "the crippling handicap of graduation from Harvard," turned out *Guns Along the Mohawk* and *Erie Water* — both excellent books about this area which did much to stimulate interest in the upstate regions.

Another leader in this movement was Carl Carmer, who came from one of those families where "every legitimate child went to Hamilton." Carmer used "the interview disguised as a social visit" to draw folklore from the people.

He always used their own language, and his books, *The Hudson*, and *Listen for a Lonesome Drum*, are regarded by many as the finest literature about upstate New York now in print.

Harold Tompson, '12, was a teacher of American folklore at Cornell who gathered the material for his books by having his students go into the homes of people in their own communities and get information from them for term papers.

He was a natural teacher who had that mystic ability to move people to go forth and learn. He had a great effect upon the renaissance because he awakened the young people to their heritage.

Famous Writer

The most famous writer to come out of upstate New York this century was Samuel Hopkins Adams. Adams had a certain genius which enabled him ot accurately write all his books in that peculiar speech used in upstate regions.

His *Sunrise to Sunset*, a book about factory conditions in the early 1900's, has always been well received, and *Tenderloin*, a book about that other part of the world, New York City, has been on the best seller lists for months. Jones noted that the two heroes of this tsory are Hamilton men.

Jones asserted that we have, at the present time, two of the leaders continuing this renaissance. Professor David M. Ellis is an authority on New York State history alive today, and has collaborated with three other men to write *A Short History of New York State*. Short being 760 pages. Publisher Clark Minor, '02, for five years was publisher of the *Currier Magazine*, which was devoted to life and lore in the Southern Tier.

Two reasons were given by Jones for Hamilton's pre-eminence in the cultural rebirth of this area. Since Hamilton has always emphasized the spoken word, her graduates have been more alert to "folk language;" and by living on this hillside, overlooking what is perhaps the most beautiful valley in the state, we are in the heart of upstate New York.

McEwen Gives Awards At Class Day Assembly

At the convocation ceremonies on Class and Charter Day, Dr. Louis Jones, '30, president of the New York State Historical Society, spoke on *Hamilton College and the Upstate Renaissance*.

Dr. Jones, author, teacher and lecturer, founded the New York State Folklore Society and was a former editor of the New York Historical Quarterly.

Academic Prizes

Dr. Jones' speech was followed by the awarding of the academic prizes by President Robert W. McEwen and Dean Winton Tolles.

The first of these awards, the James Soper Merrill Prize, was presented to Dick Flanagan, who will deliver the commencement address June 7. This prize is awarded to the member of the graduating class "who, in character and influence, has best typified the highest ideals of the college."

The Root Fellowship in Science prize, established 65 years ago by Elihu Root and providing a year of graduate study either in this country or abroad, was awarded to Brian Davis, who also won the Rogers Prize in Geology.

The Gelas Memorial Prize, based on "development in strength of character, leadership and athletic ability," was awarded to Bill Hoyt, co-captain of the football and lacrosse teams and president of the Block H Club.

The Captain Gerald Fitzgerald Dale Senior Scholarship, awarded for academic distinction, useful citizenship, and extracurricular leadership, was won by Bob Skippon, a junior who is presently in Paris studying on the Hamilton College Junior year in France program. Skippon was also awarded the Winslow Prize in Romance Languages.

The fifth and final major award, the Frank Humphrey Ristine Scholarship, awarded to a junior for excellence in English and general academic standing, went to Neal Pilson.

Other fellowships and scholarships awarded at the convocational ceremonies were: the Edward Huntington Memorial Mathematical Scholarship to John Pennisten; the Renwick Prize Scholarship in Biology to Paul Englund; the Harlan F. Woodfork Scholarship, jointly to Gerry Hamilton and Jim Honke.

Prizes for achievement were the Curran Prize in Greek to Mike Smith; the Nelson Clark Dale Jr. Prize in Music, to John Nelson and Dick Storm; the Darling Prize in American History to Mike Magzis; the Hawley Prize in Greek and the Winslow Prize in in Greek, both to Calvin Roeder; the Hawley Prize in Latin to Bob Lanson; the Holbrook Prize in Biology to Carl Hakanson; the Norton Foundation in Chemistry to Arthur Burr; the Phi Beta Kappa Prize for Scholarship improvement to Sam Stradling; the Putnam Prize in American History to Ray Zimmerman; Tompkins Prizes in Mathematics to Peter Hill (first place), with a tie for second between Gerry Meisner and John Pennisten; and the Wollcott Prize for Dramatics to Walt Smyth.

Winners of essay prizes were Don Spillman, Pete Strawbridge, Bob Patton, Bill Bonwitt and Dick Russell.

Editor Appoints

Bob Lanson has been appointed Managing Editor of the Spectator, announces Lindsley Schepmoes, Editor-in-Chief.

Lanson will assume his duties next fall.

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